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Project Planning Branch

To All Interested Parties:

The US Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), Nashville District has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) and unsigned Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the proposed Master Plan Update for Lake Cumberland, Kentucky. On January 23, 2009, you were advised that the Master Plan Update was available for public comment. This corresponding EA is now being provided to Federal and state agencies with jurisdiction by law or special expertise and members of the public.

Three alternatives are considered in the EA:

- 1. No action, which means there would be no supplement to the existing Master Plan and no new resource classification, assessment, and inventory would occur;
- Full implementation of the proposed Master Plan Update, which would incorporate three actions: a) project land and water allocations and classifications would be made current, b) an analysis of resource use would be conducted, and c) an evaluation of existing and future needs and demands on the project would be completed; and
- Implementation of a revised scope of the proposed Master Plan update which would include evaluating actions, comments, or requests that result from public review of the EA and Master Plan update.

The EA and FONSI are available for review at the following web addresses: Lake Cumberland Master Plan Update web page http://www.lrn.usace.army.mil/wolmp or the Project Planning Branch Public Notice web page http://www.lrn.usace.army.mil/pmgt/Environmental/public noti ces.htm. The documents are also available for review at the following locations:

US Army Corps of Engineers, Project Planning Branch US Courthouse, Estes Kefauver Federal Building 801 Broadway, Room A-449 Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Lake Cumberland Resource Manager's Office 855 Boat Dock Road Somerset, Kentucky 42501

You may also request a copy of the documents by writing to the address above or contacting the number listed below. Please provide any comments concerning the EA and FONSI within thirty days of the above date. Responses should be mailed to the above address. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Kim Franklin, Biologist, at (615) 736-7954.

Sincerely,

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